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PATENT

Applicant: William Swanson et al.
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Title: **ELECTRICAL CONDUCTION
BLOCK IMPLANT DEVICE**
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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Mail Stop Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Restriction Requirement mailed February 26, 2008 in connection with the above-referenced application, Applicant responds as follows:

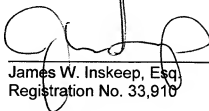
Applicant elects to prosecute Group II, claims 10-18 and 37-41, drawn to a method for surgical procedures, classified in class 128, subclass 898.

This election is made without prejudice or disclaimer to seek prosecution of the non-elected claims or species in future divisional applications.

If for any reason direct communication with Applicants' attorney would serve to advance prosecution of this case to finality, the Examiner is cordially urged to call the undersigned attorney at the below listed telephone number.

The Commissioner is authorized to charge any fee which may be required in connection with this Amendment to deposit account No. 50-2809.

Respectfully submitted,



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